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Annotations

30 March 1992

1. Opening of the session

The session will be opened by the Chairman of the Committee on Information.

2. Appointment of new members

In accordance with General Assembly decision 46/423 of 11 December 1991, Burkina Faso will be appointed as a member of the Committee on Information.

3. Election of officers

A communication has been received by the Secretariat to the effect that the position of a Vice-Chairman representing the Eastern European Group of States has been vacated. As a result, the Committee will have to elect a Vice-Chairman for the unexpired term of the Bureau, in accordance with the agreement reached at the organizational session of the Committee held in 1980 that stipulated that the principle of geographical rotation was to be applied to all officers of the Committee. 1/

4. Adoption of the agenda

The provisional agenda has been prepared on the basis of consultations among the members of the Bureau.

5. Statement by the Chairman

The Chairman will address the Committee at its opening meeting.

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6. General debate and consideration of substantive questions 2/

(a) Promotion of the establishment of a new, more just and more effective world information and communication order intended to strengthen peace and international understanding and based on the free circulation and wider and better balanced dissemination of information.

(b) Continuation of the examination of United Nations public information policies and activities, in the light of the evolution of international relations, and of the need to establish the new international economic order as well as the new world information and communication order.

Consideration of sub-items under this agenda item will include the following written reports:

(i) Report of the Secretary-General on ways of ensuring a qualitative balance among United Nations information centres all over the world with respect to the discharge of their responsibilities, budget allocations for such centres, the deployment of resources, and services of specialists in the field of information; and

Report of the Secretary-General on the budget of each United Nations information centre, including detailed information on the level of assistance being provided by the host countries;

(ii) Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of a system-wide information programme for the 1992 United Nations Conference on Environment and Development;

(iii) Report of the Secretary-General based on observations and suggestions submitted by Member States, on ways and means of furthering the development of communication infrastructures in developing countries, with a view to consolidating recent experience in the field of international cooperation aimed at enabling the developing countries to develop their own information and communication capacities, freely and independently.

(c) Evaluation and follow-up of the efforts made and the progress achieved by the United Nations system in the field of information and communications.

Report on the activities of the Joint United Nations Information Committee.

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7. Preparation and adoption of the report of the Committee on Information to the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session.

Notes

1/ Official Records of the General Assembly, Thirty-fifth Session, Supplement No. 21 (A/35/21), para. 8 (a).

2/ The wording of paragraphs 6 (a), (b) and (c) is based on General Assembly resolution 34/182 of 18 December 1979.